

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A device for applying liquid to a running web (B), in particular for applying dyeing liquid to a textile web with a pile, said device comprising an application means (2) which is arranged above the web (B) and from which the liquid is delivered to the web (B), ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the device is configured in such a way that it can be alternately operated in injection mode, in which the liquid is delivered at high pressure to the volume of the web (B), or in pouring mode, in which the liquid is applied to at least one surface of the web (B).
2. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a web guide means (3) is provided with which the web (B) is guided under the application means (2).
3. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the distance between the application means (2) and the web guide means (3) is variable.

4. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 through 3~~, characterized in that claim 1, wherein the application means (2) extends across the entire width of the web.
5. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 2 through 4~~, characterized in that claim 2, wherein the web guide means (3) extends across the entire width of the web.
6. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 2 through 5~~, characterized in that claim 2, wherein the application means (2) and the web guide means (3) are arranged approximately perpendicularly one above the other.
7. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 2 through 6~~, characterized in that claim 2, wherein the web guide means (3) is arranged such that it can be adjusted in height.
8. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 through 7~~, characterized in that claim 1, wherein the application means (2) comprises a liquid chamber (15) extending transversely with respect to the running direction of the web.

9. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 8,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein, at its base, the liquid chamber
(15) has bores (19) whose cross section is smaller than the
cross section of the liquid chamber (15).
10. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 9,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the bores (19) communicate with an
application slit (39) that extends transversely with respect to
the running direction of the web (B).
11. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 10,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein, between the application slit (39)
and those ends of the bores (19) opening into the latter, a
baffle surface (30) is provided which is oriented obliquely with
respect to the direction of flow of the liquid emerging from the
bores.
12. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 11,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the baffle surface (30) encloses
an angle of approximately 45° with the direction of flow.

13. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 11 or 12,~~
~~characterized in that~~ claim 11, wherein the area of the baffle
surface (30) is divided into a plurality of channels (32) by
means of mutually parallel webs (31).
14. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 13,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the number of channels (32)
corresponds to the number of bores (19).
15. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1~~
~~through 14,~~ claim 1, wherein means are
provided with which the effective application length of the
application slit (39) can be varied.
16. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 15,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the means comprise at least one
shut-off slide (36) that can alternately be pushed laterally
into the liquid chamber (15).
17. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1~~
~~through 16,~~ claim 1, wherein the
application means (2) has a separate application plate (18) on
the side directed toward the web (B).

18. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 17,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the application plate (18) is
articulated with a long edge on the application means (2) via a
hinge (35) whose hinge axis (S) is oriented parallel to the
longitudinal direction of the liquid chamber (15).
19. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 2~~
~~through 18, characterized in that~~ claim 2, wherein the web guide
means (3) comprises a flexible pressing element over which the
web (B) is guided.
20. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 19,
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the pressing element comprises a
pneumatic support element (7).